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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 16, 2008, setting a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 16, 2008, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks are included following the amendments